

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: George FREY	Confirmation No. 4638
Title: DISTRACTION AND RETRACTION SYSTEM FOR SPINAL SURGERY	Examiner: Ann M. Schillinger
Application No.: 10/720,656	Art Unit: 3774
Filed: November 24, 2003	<u>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION</u>
Customer No.: 88513	

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Commissioner For Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 11, 2010, Applicant is filing a Request for Continued Examination. Please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.